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### **Reps. Labriola, Greene Remind Residents of Upcoming Sales-Tax Free Week**



(Hartford, CT) State Representatives David Labriola, (R-131st), and Len Greene (R-105th) today reminded residents that Connecticut's sales-tax-free week for clothing and footwear items under \$300 runs this year from Sunday, August 21 to Saturday, August 27.

As part of the 2005-2006 state budget, the Legislature approved one-week sales exemption from the state's six per cent sales. The State of Connecticut began the sales tax free week in August 2000. It was rescinded in 2003 but brought back again last year. Proposals have been introduced to add a second week later in the year, but they have not received legislative approval.

Examples of clothing exempted during the sales tax-free holiday are jeans, dresses, blouses, shirts, shoes, sneakers, scarves, gloves, and belts. Non-apparel items, such as jewelry, wallets, and luggage are not included in the exemption.

"Sales Tax-Free Week is an excellent chance for back to school savings," said Rep. Labriola. "I urge parents to make the most of this annual opportunity."

"I'm hopeful people will take advantage of the savings the sales tax-free week provides," said Rep. Greene. "With rising energy costs affecting all households, this can certainly be a help to families."

Consumers seeking more information on the state's "sales tax-free week" can visit the Department of Revenue Services' website at: [www.ct.gov/drs](http://www.ct.gov/drs)